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## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_

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A RESOLUTION to honor Robert Hoffman upon his retirement and to recognize his distinguished service to the people of House District 55 and the state of Indiana during his ten year tenure in the House of Representatives.

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman became a state legislator after being the vocational director at Connersville Area Vocational School for 30 years;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman received his bachelor of science degree from Indiana State University and his master of science degree in vocational administration from Indiana State University;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman began his service in the General*

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*Assembly in 1996, becoming known for all time as the senior member of the "six-pack";*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman has served his community as past president of Leadership Fayette County, chairman of Bethany Lutheran Church, past president of the Fayette Memorial Hospital Board, 1993 chairman of the Indiana Association of Area Vocational School Districts, Indiana Council of Vocational Directors, and a member of the Advisory Board of Purdue University-East, the Connersville Economic Development Committee, the County Extension Board, the Workforce Development Committee, and the Connersville Chamber of Commerce. He also won the Small Business Champion award of the Indiana Chamber Small Business Council, was elected to the Fayette County School Corporation Education Hall of Fame as a Master Educator, was named a Kentucky Colonel in 1989, and is director emeritus of Connersville Area Vocational School;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman is a true renaissance man, taking time to enjoy hunting wild game and fishing;*

*Whereas, Representative Hoffman has exhibited culinary expertise ranging from hog roasting to preparing souffles;*

*Whereas, Those who are invited to partake in his hospitality might dine on the vegetables grown in his garden, the fish he caught, or the fowl that he hunted and possibly even raised from birth;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman is not only a great chef in the finest French tradition but also an extraordinary sommelier and enologist, who offers the wine that he makes and, sometime in the future, may be serving it on a table with chairs that he is crafting by hand;*

*Whereas, Hoffman "The Fearless" is never afraid to try anything once, including attempting to make homemade caviar and inventing the chimney-top turkey roaster;*

*Whereas, Representative Hoffman has worn his elected position as a comfortable extension of his adventuresome aura;*



*Whereas, Robert Hoffman has served on the Committees on Education, Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Natural Resources with great personal interest and distinction;*

*Whereas, During his tenure as Chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources, Robert Hoffman worked to pass legislation to protect and sustain our valuable state parks, forests, and farmland and single-handedly made the most out of Groundhog Day by passing legislation to protect and manage the mighty groundhog;*

*Whereas, Representative Hoffman championed education issues and supported the work and goals of Indiana's teachers;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman served the residents of House District 55, which includes parts of Fayette, Union, Franklin, Wayne, and Dearborn counties;*

*Whereas, Robert and his wife, Phyllis, have three grown children, Dr. Loraine Phillips, Ben Hoffman, and Dr. Ann Wieman, and five grandchildren, Joe, Rob, Marty, Hollie, and Max;*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman is undoubtedly a man of many exceptional creative gifts and abilities, and we are thankful for his years of service in the House of Representatives; and*

*Whereas, Robert Hoffman will be dearly missed by his colleagues and staff in the Indiana General Assembly: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1           SECTION 1. That the members of the Indiana House of
- 2           Representatives bid their colleague a fond farewell and wish him
- 3           health, happiness, and continued success in all his future endeavors.
- 4           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5           Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Representative
- 6           Hoffman and his family.

